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CLAIM AMENDMENTS

WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

This listing of the claims will replace all prior versions, and listing, of claims in the application:

1. **(Currently Amended)** An arrangement—(1) having a battery—(2) with a first contact pole—(9) and a second contact pole—(10), having a first connecting line—(3) and a second connecting line—(4), which connecting lines—(3, 4) each have a first end—(11, 12) and a second end—(21, 22), and are each associated with one contact pole—(9, 10) to which they are electrically conductively connected at a first end—(11, 12), and which connecting lines—(3, 4) can make contact with a load at a second end—(21, 22) and an ohmic fixed-value resistor—(30) ~~is arranged such that it~~ is electrically conductively connected between the first end—(11) of the connecting line—(3), which is associated with the first contact pole—(9), and the first contact pole—(9), and wherein the battery—(2) comprises a housing—(31), characterized in that the housing—(31)which has two opposite end faces—(6, 7), and one contact pole—(9) is arranged on each end face—(6, 7) of the housing—(31), and in that the fixed-value resistor—(30) is attached to the housing—(31) in the area between the two planes which are described by the end faces—(6, 7).

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2. (Currently Amended) The arrangement according to claim 1, wherein The arrangement (1) as claimed in claim 1, characterized in that the fixed-value resistor-(30) is attached to the housing-(31) by means of a shrink sleeve-(32).

3. (Currently Amended) The arrangement according to claim 1, wherein The arrangement (1) as claimed in claim 1, characterized in that the battery-(2) is a cylindrical AA-format cell, with the fixed-value resistor-(30) being arranged on and attached to the cylindrical casing surface-(8) between the two end faces-(6, 7).

4. (Currently Amended) The arrangement according to claim 1, wherein The arrangement (1) as claimed in claim 1, characterized in that the battery-(2) is a cylindrical $\frac{1}{2}$ -AA-format cell, with the fixed-value resistor-(30) being arranged on and attached to the cylindrical casing surface-(8) between the two end faces-(6, 7).

5. (Currently Amended) The arrangement according to claim 1, wherein The arrangement (1) as claimed in claim 1, characterized in that the battery-(2) has a rated voltage of 3.6 V and the fixed-value resistor-(30) has a rated value of 100 Ω .

6. (Currently Amended) The arrangement according to claim 5, wherein The arrangement (1) as claimed in claim 5, characterized in that the fixed-value resistor-(30) has a rated power of 250 mW.

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7. (Currently Amended) The arrangement according to claim 1, wherein The arrangement (1) as claimed in claim 1, characterized in that the battery (2) is a lithium battery, in particular a thionyl-chloride system battery.

8. (Currently Amended) The arrangement according to claim 1, wherein The arrangement (1) as claimed in claim 1, characterized in that the fixed-value resistor (30) is in the form of a metal-film resistor or a carbon-film resistor.

9. (Currently Amended) The arrangement according to claim 1, wherein The arrangement (1) as claimed in claim 1, characterized in that the connecting lines (3) are each electrically conductively connected at a second end (11) to a plug (5) of a plug connection.

10. (Currently Amended) The arrangement according to claim 1, wherein The arrangement (1) as claimed in claim 1, characterized in that the contact poles (9, 10) and the electrical contact with the contact poles (9, 10) are electrically isolated from the environment.

11. (Currently Amended) The arrangement according to claim 1, wherein The arrangement (1) as claimed in claim 1, characterized in that the first contact pole (9) of the battery (2) is a negative pole.

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12. **(Currently Amended)** The arrangement according to claim 1, wherein The arrangement (1) as claimed in claim 1, characterized in that the first connecting line-(3) and the second connecting line-(4) are non-conductively connected to one another in places.

13. **(NEW)**) A battery comprising:

a first contact pole and a second contact pole,
a first connecting line and a second connecting line each having a first end and a second end and each being associated with one contact pole to which they are electrically conductively connected at a first end, wherein the connecting lines can make contact with a load at a second end,

a ohmic fixed-value resistor electrically conductively connected between the first end of the connecting line, which is associated with the first contact pole, and the first contact pole,

a housing having two opposite end faces, wherein one contact pole is arranged on each end face of the housing, and wherein the fixed-value resistor is attached to the housing in the area between two planes defined by the end faces.

14. **(NEW)**) The battery according to claim 12, wherein the fixed-value resistor is attached to the housing by means of a shrink sleeve.

15. **(NEW)**) The battery according to claim 12, wherein the battery is a cylindrical AA-format cell, with the fixed-value resistor being arranged on and attached to the cylindrical casing surface between the two end faces.

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16. **(NEW)**) The battery according to claim 12, wherein the battery is a cylindrical $\frac{1}{2}$ -AA-format cell, with the fixed-value resistor being arranged on and attached to the cylindrical casing surface between the two end faces.

17. **(NEW)**) The arrangement according to claim 12, wherein the battery has a rated voltage of 3.6 V and the fixed-value resistor has a rated value of 100Ω and the fixed-value resistor has a rated power of 250 mW.

18. **(NEW)**) The arrangement according to claim 12, wherein the battery is a lithium battery, in particular a thionyl-chloride system battery.

19. **(NEW)**) The arrangement according to claim 12, wherein the fixed-value resistor is in the form of a metal-film resistor or a carbon-film resistor.

20. **(NEW)**) The arrangement according to claim 12, wherein the connecting lines are each electrically conductively connected at a second end to a plug of a plug connection.